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1. IN LIGHT SOVIET INTEREST IN CONCEPT OF HOST PROVIDED SWITCH FOR LIMITING AVAILABILITY OF EMP SIGNAL TO SLIFER RECORDING EQUIPMENT, DELEGATION HAS FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- (A) WHAT IS NUMBERICAL RANGE FOR LENGTH OF BLACKOUT TIME THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED, AND HOW DOES THE ACCURACY OF SLIFER YIELD DETERMINATION VARY WITH THOSE NUMBERS?
- (B) ARE THERE OTHER SPECIFICATIONS WHICH SHOULD BE CONSIDERED?
- (C) CAN SWITCH BE DESIGNED TO ASSURE THAT INDUCTIVE OR CAPACITIVE COUPLING DOES NOT LEAD TO TRANSMISSION OF EMP SIGNAL AROUND SWITCH AT LEVEL TO PERMIT RECORDING ON SLIFER RECORDER? SOVIETS HAVE RAISED THIS POTENTIAL OBJECTION IN PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION.
- (D) (PERMITTING HOST SIDE TO PROVIDE SWITCH IS PROBABLY DEPENDENT ON FREEDOM OF VERIFYING SIDE TO PLACE AUTHENTICATION INDICATORS ON SLIFER CABLE BY PUTTING LOOPS IN SENSOR CABLE OR BY OTHER METHODS. SECRET

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INDICATORS WITH SOVIETS.) COULD INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS CALLING FOR LOOP IN CABLE AND REQUEST BY DESIGNATED PERSONNEL TO PLACE LOOPS AT SPECIFIC LOCATIONS BE REGARDED BY HOST PARTY AS ATTEMPT TO CUPLE INDUCTIVELY SLIFER CABLE TO FIRING OR OTHER CABLES IN EMPLACEMENT HOLE?

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